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SUBJECT: FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT (FEA) AND
FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT (FONSI) FOR
KAWAIHAE ROAD, REPLACEMENT OF WAIAKA BRIDGE AND
REALIGNMENT OF APPROACHES
FEDERAL-AID PROJECT NO. BR-NH-019-1(045)
WAIMEA, SOUTH KOHALA, ISLAND OF HAWAII, HAWAII

The Hawaii Department of Transportation (HDOT) has reviewed all comments received during the 30-day comment period for the Draft Environmental Assessment for the Kawaihae Road, Replacement of Waiaka Bridge and Realignment of Approaches. HDOT has determined that preparation of an Environmental Impact Statement is not required for the project, pursuant to the significance criteria specified in Section 11-200.1-13 of the Hawaii Administrative Rules. We hereby issue a FONSI, as documented in the enclosed FEA.

With this letter, HDOT transmits the FEA and FONSI for the proposed Kawaihae Road, Replacement of Waiaka Stream Bridge and Realignment of Approaches Project on Hawaii Island for publication in the next available edition of *The Environmental Notice*.

Should you have any questions, please contact our Project Manager, Mr. Andrew Hirano, at (808) 692-7546, Technical Design Section, Design Branch, Highways Division or by email at andrew.j.hirano@hawaii.gov.

Enclosures